

ESD COST REVIEW

1. Cost data was developed by JACOBS Eng. for the projected costs of the continued execution of the New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site. Three scenarios were developed based on annual funding limits of \$15M, \$30M, and \$80M. Present Values were calculated based on the total costs using current dollars.
2. Fixed costs were reviewed in the context of the assumptions provided and found reasonable. In most cases actual recent costs were used in developing annual estimates.
3. Present value calculations were referred to the Economics Section for review. Their findings indicated the calculations followed standard practice and the result was reasonable. Constant dollars were used in the calculation which is also standard practice.
4. Based on the general assumption (#7) discount rates of 2.7%, 2.9%, and 1.8% were to be used respectively for the \$15MPA, \$30MPA, and \$80MPA funding alternatives. The data reviewed used a rate of 2.7% for all scenarios except the \$80 MPA for the 'one cad cell approach' which used 1.75%.